

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

APPLICATION NO. : 10/771,570  
APPLICANT : Lefebvre et al.  
FILED : February 4, 2004  
FOR : SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR ASSIGNING  
CREDIT TO PROCESS INPUTS  
CONFIRMATION NO. : 3723  
ART UNIT : 3696  
EXAMINER : Gerald C. Vizvary  
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December 11, 2009

**Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450**

**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated September 30, 2009, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 9 of this paper.